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of this Application:☒ Class 439☒ Subclass 088

Prior Application

Examiner: PRASAD, C.

Art Unit: 2839

DIVISIONAL APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 09/810,011 filed March 15, 2001, by Yoichi IMAMURA (inventor(s) currently of record in prior application) for Distribution Board, Junction Box, Outlet Box, Plug with Electric Cord, Outlet Box Terminal Board, Table Tap In-Building Network System.

- ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed, or a replacement specification which does not add new matter.
- ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CALCULATION OF FEES								
ITEM		TOTAL NO. OF CLAIMS		NO. OF CLAIMS OVER BASE	LG/SM \$ ENTITY FEE		\$ AMOUNT	\$ FEE
A	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	2	-20	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	\$ 0	
B	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	2	-3	0	LG=\$86 SM=\$43	\$86	0	
C	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)							\$ 0
D	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$290 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$145		\$ 0
E	BASIC FEE					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$770 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$385		\$ 770.00
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)							\$ 770.00
	*LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 34 and 35							

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed.

5. ☒ Cancel in this application original claim(s) 1-33 and 36-37 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional of application Serial No. 09/810,011 filed March 15, 2001, which application is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

7a. ☒ New formal drawings are enclosed.

7b. ☒ Priority of application Serial No(s).:

Japanese application Serial No. 2000-077122 filed March 17, 2000 ,
Japanese application Serial No. 2001-054615 filed February 28, 2001 and
Japanese application Serial No. 2001-072272 filed March 14, 2001 is
claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

7c. ☒ The certified copy of the priority application was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/810,011, filed March 15, 2001.

8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION.

9. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is as listed on the attached copy of the declaration filed in the parent application.

a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

c. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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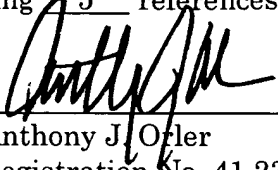
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d. ☐ A new Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.

10. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

11. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Applicant no longer claims small entity status.
12. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement listing 5 references is enclosed.

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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that

- ☒ two copies of a letter of transmittal
- ☒ check in amount of \$ 770.00 as filing fee
- ☒ patent application (48 page(s) of specification; 2 claim(s); 1 page(s) of abstract
- ☒ 10 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ copy of executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement listing 5 references
- ☒ return postcard

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